

AMENDMENTS TO THE ABSTRACT

Please replace the abstract with the following Replacement Abstract:

~~The invention relates to an~~ An orbital welding device is for mobile use ~~in order to~~ join a first pipe ~~[(1)]~~ and a second pipe end ~~[(2)]~~ along a circumferential joint ~~[(3)]~~ by at least one weld seam ~~[(4)]~~, particularly for producing a pipeline ~~[(5)]~~ to be placed on land. The ~~inventive~~ welding device includes a guide ring ~~[(6)]~~, which can be oriented toward the first pipe end ~~[(1)]~~ and the circumferential joint ~~[(3)]~~, and an orbital carriage ~~[(7)]~~ that can be motor-displaced along the guide ring ~~[(6)]~~ via an advancing device ~~[(8)]~~. On the orbital carriage ~~[(7)]~~, a laser welding head ~~[(12)]~~ for directing a laser beam ~~[(10)]~~ into a laser welding zone ~~[(13)]~~ is mounted in a manner that enables it to be oriented toward the circumferential joint ~~(3)~~ ~~whereby enabling the production of the weld seam (4) along the~~ ~~circumferential joint (3) by displacing the orbital carriage (7). The laser beam (10) is produced by a high power fiber laser beam source (9) located, in particular, on a mobile transport vehicle (35) while being situated at a distance from the orbital carriage (7), is guided by light guide (11) passing through a tube bundle (50) to the orbital carriage (7) and then supplied to the welding head (12).~~ A significant advantage of the invention ~~resides in the fact that~~ relates to the joining of two pipe ends by only one single welding process during a short period of time is made possible in the field with autonomous operation.